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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPP

EXXON CORPORATION, A NEW JERSEY CORPORATION

PLAINTIFF

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. J89-0627(B)(N)

CROSBY-MISSISSIPPI RESOURCES, LTD., A MISSISSIPPI LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, ET AL.

DEFENDANTS

ORDER EXTENDING APPOINTMENT OF MASTER AND DEADLINE FOR FINAL REPORT

This matter having coming before the District Court on motion ore tenus of the Master for additional time in which to file a final report on the accounting of and concerning the financial transactions and obligations between and among the parties in this action in accordance with the rulings in this case, stipulations entered into by the parties and applicable law, all as directed in Order Appointing Master filed in this cause on May 19, 2004, and, also, for an extension of her (the Master's) authority under said Order for such purposes; and, the parties, through counsel, having stipulated that they have been given adequate notice and opportunity to be heard before the entry of this Order, the Court, being fully advised in the premises, and having found the issues to be more numerous and complex than originally anticipated and, also, the underlying documents required to be reviewed, produced and utilized in the Accounting Process to be significantly more voluminous than could have reasonably been known at the time of her appointment, hereby finds that the deadline for the final report should be extended, and that the authority of the Master under said Order, likewise, should be extended to provide and allow adequate opportunity for a full and complete accounting and computation of damages.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DECREED

- (A) That numbered Paragraph 6 of the Order Appointing Master filed on May 19, 2004, shall be, and the same hereby is, amended by the deletion of the words "18 months" and the insertion in the place thereof the words "36 months," the ultimate result of said amendment being the extension of the due date of the final report by the Master until May 19, 2007; and
- (B) That the appointment of the Master shall be, and the same hereby is, extended with the Master having all authority and duties set forth in Rule 53, F. R. C. P. and as provided in the Order Appointing Master filed on May 19, 2004.

SO ORDERED this, the ______ day of January, 2006.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

AGREED:

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